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April 29, 2021

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Veterans Memorial Park Pool Renovation in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Pawtucket, located at 137 Roosevelt Ave, Pawtucket, RI 02860.

This funding will be used to bring a state-of-the-art recreational water facility to Pawtucket residents who may not otherwise have access to a pool, or the ability to enroll their children in summer programs or travel to the beach. As part of an effort to increase equity and improve access to recreational opportunities for all residents of Pawtucket, particularly the 20 percent of families without a personal vehicle for travel, the proposed pool renovation project would be a vital step in properly addressing the needs of residents. Fairlawn Veterans Memorial Park is one of the largest recreational spaces on the west side of the City of Pawtucket. The site is the location of a free food service program for school-aged children and provides several recreational programming opportunities for City youth. The proposed project will include the complete renovation of the current Veterans Memorial Park Pool and the addition of an adjacent splash pad that will be beneficial for those children not old enough to swim. The combination of water features will allow for families and children of all ages to enjoy this expanded recreational amenity.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

David Cicilline

Member of Congress

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